റാവു സാഹിബ്ബ് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ:

(എ) ഇല്ല. കഴിഞ്ഞകൊല്ലം മഴവൻ അരി കൊടുത്തിരുന്നു.

ഇടയിടെയായി വ ദിവസത്തിൽ ര ദിവസം അരിയും ബാക്കി ന ദിവസം ഗോതമ്പുമാവ്, ബജ്ര, കോറ, കിഴങ്ങ് മുതലായവയും വിഹിതമായി അനുവദിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. ഇവയിൽവെച്ച് ഗോതമ്പാണ് അരിയില്ലാത്ത ന ദിവസങ്ങളിൽ ഉപയോഗിച്ചുവരുന്നതു്.

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STUDENTS SELECTED FOR ENGINEERING AND MEDICINE

162. Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon *(Cheruthuruthi)*: Will Government be pleased to state the number of persons selected for higher studies in Engineering and Medicine in years 1117 and 1118 and their names and castes together with the total number of applications received in both heads separately with their castes?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: A list is placed on the Council Table.

163. Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

Considering the great power vested in the Police Officers and their power for good or evil, whether Government will consider the raising of their status and emoluments still further?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: The suggestion is noted.

BAN ON PUBLIC MEETINGS—LIFTING OF

164. Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters)*: Will Government be pleased to state whether Government will take away the prohibition of all public meetings in view of the present situation in the State?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*: The question will be considered in the due course.

STUDENTS' STRIKE—CESSATION OF

165. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi)*: Will Government be pleased to state whether the students' strikes in the State following the arrest of the National Leaders have all not stopped?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*:
Yes.

CONDUCT OF POLICE OFFICERS—CAMPLAINT AGAINST

166. Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether they have received a petition signed by a large number of persons from Mayannur complaining about the conduct of the police officers and permit-holders for purchase of paddy transmitted for enquiry by His Highness the Maharaja of Cochin;

(*b*) whether any enquiry was conducted and if so by whom;

(*c*) what the result of the enquiry is?

Khan Sahib Y. Muhammad Roshan Sahib Bahadur *(Commissioner of Police)*:

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes. By the Division Inspector of Police, Trichur.

(*c*) The allegations found to be false.

INCREASE IN DAILY ALLOWANCE—BASIS FOR REVISION

167. Mr. M. Krishna Menon *(Trichur-North)*:

Will Government be pleased to state whether the recent increase in daily allowance of officers on tour has been on any proportionate basis or arbitrarily?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Comptroller of Finance and Accounts)*:

The increased rates ordered were with due regard to all the relevant factors.

MANUFACTURE OF PAPER AS COTTAGE INDUSTRY

168. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

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(*a*) whether Government have seriously considered the possibilities of making paper as a cottage industry ;

(*b*) what are Government activities in that line ;

(*c*) what is the result of such activities ?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development) :*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) From 1115, experiments were carried on at the Rural Development Centre, Cherpu, with different raw materials such as waste paper, plantain stalks, straw, bamboo chips, rags, tailors cuttings, lemon grass, etc. (2) Experiments by Mr. Iswara Ayyar at Trichur under the direct supervision of the Industries Department.

(*c*) The experiments have proved to be successful.

CIVIL SUPPLIES DEPARTMENT—IRREGULARITIES—ENQUIRY REGARDING

169. Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon *(Cheruthuruthi) :* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether Government have cared to make a searching enquiry into the working of the Civil Supplies Department after its institution to find out if there are any irregularities connected with it as done in the Sister State of Travancore ;

(*b*) if not will Government be pleased to do so at an early date ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government) :*

(*a*) No.

(*b*) Will be considered if it is found necessary.

ACREAGE, ETC., OF LANDS PLANTED WITH HILL PADDY

170. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi) :* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the total acreage of lands now planted with Hill Paddy ;

(*b*) what all varieties of paddy have been sown now ;

(*c*) the total acreage cleared already for other food crops to be raised ;

(*d*) and (*e*) what are the different varieties of food crops cultivated and the acreage of each variety ;

(*f*) the total amount spent so far on the Hill Paddy scheme ;

(*g*) the number of officers employed so far for the working of the scheme ;

(*h*) are all the officers doing work now ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government) :*

(*a*) 5,375 acres.

(*b*) Peruvaka, Modan, Cheera, Chembavu and certain Central Provinces varieties like E. B. 13, E. B. 17 and Chathri paddy.

(*c*) 6,625 acres.

(*d*) and (*e*) Tapioca (2,000 acres) Red Gram and other pulses (500 acres) Chama and Ragi (125 acres) Further plantings are in progress.

(*f*) Rs. 5,01,001.

(*g*) 198.

(*h*) No. Only 173 are working now.

Note.—Of the 198 Officers who were on the work, 10 resigned, 1 died and 14 have either left or were removed from service.

171. Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters) :* Will Government be pleased to state.—(*a*) whether Government will make a statement regarding the extent of land cleared for the Hill Paddy scheme, the cost of clearing the areas put under crops, the estimated yield and the estimated all-in cost ;

(*b*) whether in future Government will entrust the work to the cultivators of the State in bits ?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government) :*

(*a*) Yes. Extent of land .. .. .. 12,000 acres
Cost of clearing .. .. .. Rs. 3,00,000 approximately
Estimated yield :

(1) Paddy 4 lakhs of paras ..	Rs. 5,00,000
(2) Tapioca 5,000 acres ..	Rs. 7,50,000
(3) Other cereals, pulses, etc., 30,000 paras	Rs. 60,000
Total	13,10,000

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